

INFLUENZA REPORT

2022-2023 Influenza Season

MMWR Week 7 (2/12/23-2/18/23)

Weekly Report of Influenza and Influenza-like Illness (ILI) Activity

Overview (MMWR Week 7)



Influenza and Influenza-like Illness Activity

Spread

Local

Transmission has decreased in every county

Co-circulating

Other Viruses:

SARS-CoV-2 RSV

Outbreaks

0

No LTCF or school associated outbreaks reported

Syndromic

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No syndromic anomalies reported

Flu Activity

Minimal

Activity continues to decline across the state

Seasonal Data

Types of Flu

Influenza A and B viruses are circulating

Severity

Inpatients

Hospitalizations continue to decline across the country

EMS

13

Suspected ILI reports this week

ILI Activity

Minimal

Reports of outpatient respiratory illnesses are trending down

Subtypes

Primary: A/H3

Predominately
H3N2 viruses
reported across the
country this week

Deaths

0

No locally reported pediatric deaths; 115 total pediatric deaths across the country this season

Hot Spots

Tracking Trends

Within local case counts

Geographic Spread



Geographic Activity by Regions

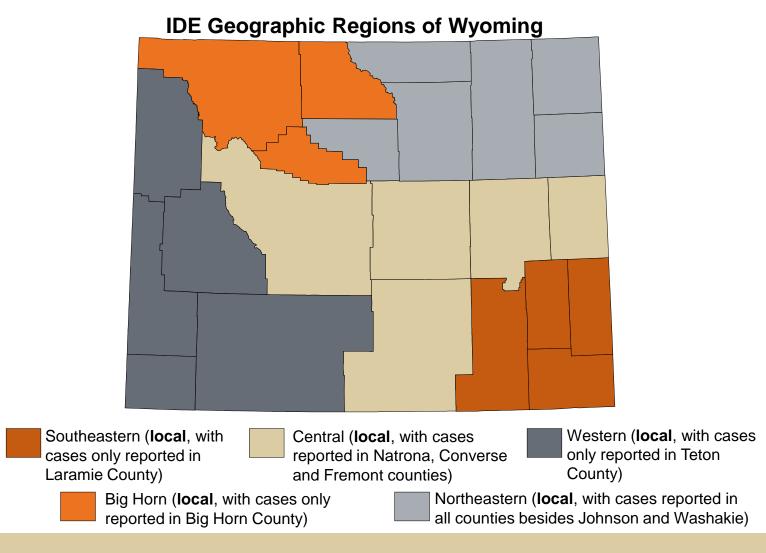
Wyoming as a whole has continued to have **local activity** this week (MMWR Week 7). Transmission levels have continued to decline across the state.

Healthcare providers in 10 counties reported ILI activity.

The electronically reported influenza cases represent all five Infectious Disease Epidemiology (IDE) Geographic Regions.

All five IDE Geographic Regions indicated trends of local activity this week with most counties continuing to see a decrease in reported case counts.

Healthcare providers across the state electronically reported 28 influenza cases (rapid influenza diagnostic tests and PCR confirmed tests).



Virologic Surveillance



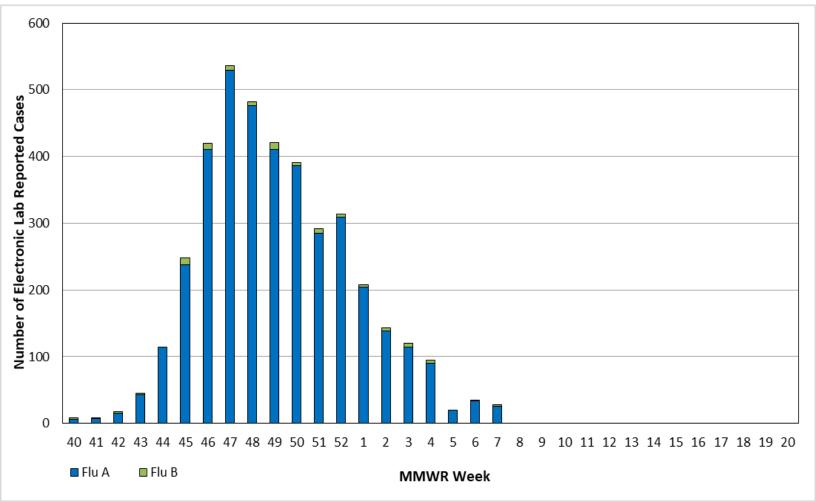
Public Health Laboratory

The overall volume of samples tested for influenza at the Wyoming Public Health Laboratory has increased since the introduction of the CDC Influenza SARS-CoV-2 Multiplex Assay. Wyoming saw a **slight decrease** in the number of positive influenza specimens reported this week compared to week 6.

Healthcare and Clinical Laboratories

Clinical laboratories most frequently reported Influenza A/H3N2 viruses during MMWR Week 7, with a handful of H1N1 and Influenza B viruses

Electronic Lab Reports of Influenza Cases



* This graph is not representative of all influenza cases across the state

Influenza-like Illness Surveillance



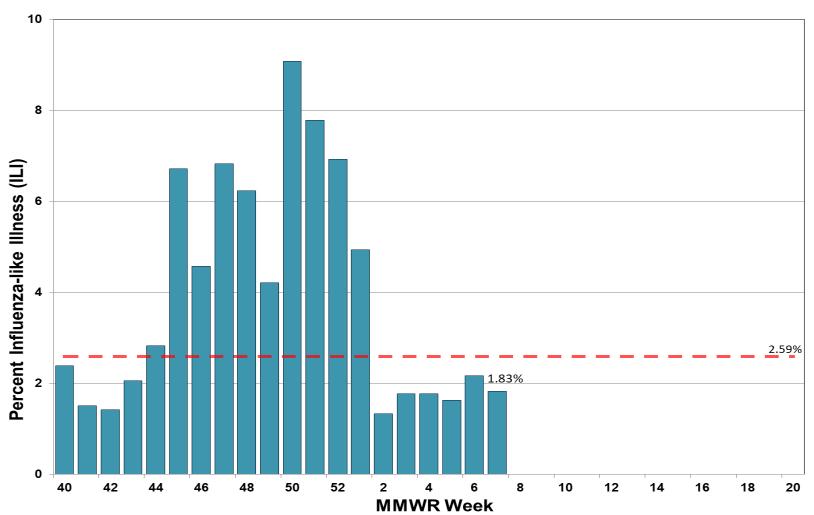
ILINet Providers

The percent of patient visits to ILINet Sentinel Providers for influenza-like illness was 1.83%, which is below Wyoming's baseline (2.59%), and a slight decrease from week 6.

The Wyoming Department of Health received reports from less than 50% of the ILINet providers across the state. Therefore, the weekly percentages could change as values are submitted.

Key Updates: Six of the 10 HHS regions were below their respective baselines this week. Based on CDC calculations, transmission within Wyoming remained **minimal** this week. Seasonal influenza activity is low nationally.

Weekly Percent of ILI Visits



Pneumonia and Influenza Mortality



Mortality Data

25

Tracking death certificates is the best surveillance system to capture and identify pneumonia and influenza-associated deaths in Wyoming. According to the CDC, influenza is infrequently listed on death certificates. Also, testing for seasonal influenza infections is not frequently performed, particularly among the elderly, who are at greatest risk for seasonal influenza complications and death. Therefore, public health officials may not identify influenza-associated deaths in many instances; consequently, this surveillance system may underestimate the true impact of influenza-associated deaths in the state.

There have been 43 pneumonia and influenza (P&I) mortality reports certified since the beginning of the 2022-2023 Influenza Season.



